

### LISTING OF CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1-20. (Cancelled)

21. (currently amended) A method for selecting a web transporting roller for a desired degree of floating or tracking of a web thereover, the web transporting roller having an actual average surface roughness, the method comprising the steps of:

providing a web;

computing a web outgassing molecular density based on at least one of web geometry, ~~web transporting roller geometry~~ of a plurality of candidate web transporting rollers, and a maximum web tension pressure;

computing ~~the~~ an average surface roughness of each of the candidate web transporting rollers based at least in part on the web outgassing molecular density; and

selecting ~~the~~ at least one web transporting roller, from among the plurality of candidate web transporting rollers, based on the actual average surface roughness in relation to the computed average surface roughness to achieve the desired degree of floating or tracking of a web over the selected web transporting roller.

22. (Original) The method of claim 21 wherein the actual average surface roughness is less than the computed average surface roughness.

23. (Original) The method of claim 21 wherein the actual average surface roughness is substantially equal to the computed average surface roughness.

24. (Original) The method of claim 21 wherein the actual average surface roughness is greater than the computed average surface roughness.

25-33. (Cancelled)